CITY OF NEWARK MONTHLY NEWSLETTER MARCH 2024



BIG RED TRUCK PULL AND CHILI COOK-OFF

Grab your strongest friends and team up for the ultimate tugof- war challenge! Teams of 10 will compete for time as they pull a fully loaded 20-ton fire truck down Academy Street in downtown Newark. This first-of-its-kind Newark event promises to be exciting and fun for all ages! This event will take place on Sunday, April 28, 2024, on Academy Street from 2:00 – 5:00 p.m. Prizes will be awarded to the fastest all male, all female, and co-ed teams. A special award will be given to the team that raises the most money. All proceeds benefit Aetna Hose, Hook & Ladder Company that's served the greater Newark community for 135 years.

For more information and to sign up for this event, go to: https://www.adventuresignup.com/Race/DE/Newark/BigRedTruckPull.



CURBSIDE RECYCLING PROGRAM

The City of Newark offers curbside recycling once a week to our residents. There is no need to separate recyclables; all items go into the same cart. Please remember all recycling should be placed loose in your cart—DO NOT BAG RECYCLING. For additional information on recycling in the City of Newark or to find the Recycling Center nearest you, please refer to https://Recyclopedia.org/de/state and https://Recyclecoach.com/cities/usa-de-city-of-newark or please call (302) 366-7000.

The following are ACCEPTABLE items for recycling:

HOLIDAY RECYCLING COLLECTION CHANGE

Due to the Good Friday holiday, recycling normally collected on Friday, March 29 will be collected on Thursday, March 28. Recycling normally collected on Thursday, March 28 will be collected on Wednesday, March 27. There will be NO yard waste collection on Wednesday, March 27. Please contact the City of Newark Public Works & Water Resources Department at (302) 366-7000 with any questions.



CANDIDATE FORUM

The League of Women Voters of New Castle County along with the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Newark (UUFN) will host a forum for Newark City Council District 3 candidates on Wednesday, March 13, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. at UUFN's MacKinnon Hall, located at at 420 Willa Rd., Newark. DE. The forum is free and open to the public. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m.

All qualified candidates have been invited to attend. At least two candidates must be present for the forum to proceed, and as of mid-February 2024 all three candidates have agreed to participate. The forum will be video recorded and available, in its entirety, afterward on the LWVNCC website

(https://my.lwv.org/delaware/new-castle-county).

POLLING LOCATION

District 3: Aetna Fire Station #7, 7 Thorn Lane



- · Paper/Newspapers/Brown Paper Bags/Magazines/Catalogs
- · Telephone/Soft Cover Books/Junk Mail (all types)
- · Cardboard/Paperboard (cereal/tissue boxes)
- · Narrow-Neck Plastic Bottles
- · Milk Jugs, Bleach/Detergent, Shampoo Bottles
- · Glass Bottles/Jars (any color)
- · Metal Cans (tin/steel/aluminum)

The following items ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE for recycling:

- · GROCERY BAGS—Please return all plastic grocery bags to the store you got them from for recycling.
- · Motor oil and oil filters, household batteries, styrofoam accepted at Newark Recycle Center – 470 Corporate Blvd.,

(Monday-Saturday 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.)

- · Shredded paper, waxed paper, plastic film
- · Household hazardous materials such as paint, fluorescent light bulbs, aerosol cans, bleach home cleaning chemicals, explosives, nail polish remover, and medicines. (For more information, please refer to "de.gov/recyclopedia" for a full list of materials and special collection events.)



NEWARK PARKS AND RECREATION SUMMER CAMP & PROGRAM FAIR

Join us for our Annual Newark Summer Camp and Program Fair on Saturday, March 23 from 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. at White Clay Creek State Park in conjunction with the Egg Hunt. Representatives will be on hand to showcase camps throughout the Newark area and answer any questions you may have. We will highlight all our summer camps as well as spring and summer programs for youth and adults and much more. This is a great opportunity for parents to speak to camp staff and coordinators for more information or sign up for camps. We will provide a "one stop shop" for families so you can register for our activities on site! We will have fun activities and crafts for the kids – so bring the whole family. State park fees will be in effect.

2023 GREEN WEDNESDAY YARD WASTE COLLECTION

March 6th- December 4th

- All residents are required to use a City of Newark issued automated cart for all yard waste collection. The first cart is provided at no charge by the city; additional carts may be purchased by calling (302) 366-7000.
- If you do not yet have an automated yard waste cart, please call Public Works & Water Resources at (302) 366-7000 or email yardwastecart@newark.de.us to arrange for one to be delivered to you.
- All yard waste must be contained within the automated cart, with the lid closed.
- Yard waste outside the cart will not be collected.
- With the exception of weeks containing a holiday, yard waste is picked up every Wednesday, and only on Wednesdays. There are no special collections or bulk pick-up service for yard waste.
- If the amount of your yard waste exceeds one cart, you may use your automated refuse cart (not the recycle cart) as a second yard waste cart, with one provision: there must be a sign, with bold lettering stating YARD WASTE, taped on the side of the cart facing oncoming traffic. If there is no sign on the cart, the driver will assume it contains refuse, and will not empty it.

ABOUT YARD WASTE COLLECTION - The Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control's permit for the Delaware Solid Waste Authority's landfill operation in Wilmington includes a ban on dumping all yard waste effective January 24, 2008.

What may I put in my yard waste cart?
Brush (up to 6 inches in diameter)
Garden Debris (dirt-free)

Grass Clippings

Landscaping Trimmings

eaves

What may I not put in my yard waste cart?

Christmas wreaths

Household plants

Trash or Recycling

Please Note: If it doesn't grow in your yard, it doesn't go in the cart (no man-made material)! Contaminated carts will be subject to fines.



FREE WATER FOR A YEAR!

We have an obligation to provide the EPA an inventory of our water service lines and we need your help! All you have to do is complete a quick 5-minute survey and upload a photo of the material of your water line (copper, lead, plastic, etc.). What's in it for you? The chance to win a year's worth of water! Read more about the Lead and Copper Rule on our website and enter the giveaway at newarkde.gov/lead.

EGG HUNT

Newark's annual egg hunt is a springtime family tradition. Parents watch, and in some cases, help their children hunt for plastic eggs filled with goodies to celebrate the Easter season. The hunt will be held at White Clay Creek State Park's Carpenter Recreation Area on Saturday, March 23, beginning at 10 a.m. All children should bring a basket or bag to collect their goodies. State Park fees will be in effect.

Hunt Schedule:

Walking - 2 years 10:00 a.m. 3 & 4 years old 10:00 a.m. 5 & 6 years old 10:30 a.m. 7 to 9 years old 10:30 a.m.

If weather is questionable the day of the hunt, call the Parks and Recreation Department's Leisure Time Hotline at (302) 366-7147 after 9 a.m. The rain date is Sunday, March 24, beginning at 2 p.m. for walking - 4 years old and 2:30 p.m. for ages 5 - 9. For additional information, contact the Parks and Recreation Office at (302) 366-7000 or visit www.newarkde.gov/play.



SPONSORSHIP & VENDOR PACKAGES for SPECIAL EVENTS

Sponsorship & Vendor Packages for the Newark Parks and Recreation 2024 events are now available at www.newarkde.gov/play. Please call (302) 366-7000 or email parksrec@newark.de.us for more information or to be added to the sponsor and vendor mailing list.







WELCOME TO THE CITY!

The City of Newark is welcoming new faces to our workforce. Our new employee includes:

- · Robert Wooten, Code Enforcement Officer, Planning & Development/Code Enforcement Division, 02/05/2024
- · Morris La Rue, Code Enforcement Officer, Planning & Development/Code Enforcement Division, 02/05/2024
- · David Hanich, PT Bailiff, Judicial Department, 02/05/2024
- · Joseph Gomez, Maintenance I, PW&WR/Street Division, 02/05/2024
- · Justin Bitter-Czerwinski, Maintenance I, PW&WR/Water Division, 02/05/2024
- · Isabella Raytick, Administrative Professional I, Public Works and Water Resources Department, 02/12/2024
- · Kelly Ortiz, PT Community Center Attendant, Parks & Recreation Department, 02/12/2024
- · Nathan DelGoglin, Communications Officer, Police Department, 02/12/2024
- · Christopher Jones, Police Officer, Police Department, 02/26/2024
- \cdot Collin Montgomery, Police Officer, Police Department, 02/26/2024
- · Abigail Porambo, Police Officer, Police Department, 02/26/2024
- · Briana Grinkin, Police Officer, Police Department, 02/26/2024
- · Alexander Lozano, Police Officer, Police Department, 02/26/2024
- · U. James Ozturk, Police Officer, Police Department, 02/26/2024
- \cdot Jesse James, Police Officer, Police Department, 02/26/2024

20PARKS & NEWARK 24RECREATION

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JANUARY

Saturday, January 27 · Newark Employment and Volunteer Fair

MARCH

Saturday, March 23 • Egg Hunt

Saturday, March 23 • Summer Camp and Program Fair

APRIL

Saturday, April 13 • Spring Community/Christiana River Clean Up Friday, April 26 • Arbor Day

Saturday, April 27 • Earth Day Weed War

MAY

Thursday's, May 2 - June 6 · Spring Concert Series Saturday, May 11 · Spring Clean Out & Flea Market Sunday, May 19 · Memorial Day Ceremony & Parade

IUIY

Thursday, July 4 · Liberty Day & Fireworks

AUGUST

Tuesday, August 6 · National Night Out

- SEPTEMBER -

Wednesday, September 11 • National Day of Service Sunday, September 15 • Community Day

OCTOBER

Saturday, October 12 • Fall Community Clean Up

Thursday, October 24 · Halloween Party at GWC

Sunday, October 27 • Halloween Parade & Trick or Treat Main Street

- NOVEMBER -

Saturday, November 23 • Turkey Trot Thursday, November 28 • Thanksgiving Day Breakfast

- DECEMBER -

Friday, December 6 • Winterfest
Saturday, December 7 • Snack with Santa/Santa's Secret Shoppe

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